CLAIMS

1. Vehicle power and telematic control system comprising:

an electronic controller;

5 a fuel cell module; and

a telematic appliance,

wherein the electronic controller couples electrical power from the fuel cell module adaptively to the telematic appliance.

10 2. The control system of claim1 wherein:

the electronic controller stores the electrical power from the fuel cell module by recharging a lithium-ion battery.

- 3. The control system of claim 1 wherein:
- the electronic controller configures the fuel cell module to generate a 42-volt or 14-volt electrical power.
 - 4. The control system of claim 1 wherein:

the electronic controller couples to the fuel cell module or the telematic appliance
through a shared connection through which a control signal and a power signal is
provided.

5. The control system of claim 1 wherein:

the electronic controller couples electrical power from a generator to the telematic appliance.

- 6. The control system of claim 1 wherein:
- the electronic controller controls the electrical power in response to a sensor signal provided by the telematic appliance.
 - 7. The control system of claim 6 wherein:

the sensor signal represents a fault or error condition in the telematic appliance.

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8. The control system of claim 6 wherein:

the sensor signal represents a media format or load in the telematic appliance.

- 9. The control system of claim 6 wherein:
- the sensor signal represents a location or jurisdiction of the telematic appliance.
 - 10. The control system of claim 1 wherein:

the electronic controller controls the electrical power in response to a measured quality of an electrical power signal.

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11. The control system of claim 1 wherein:

the electronic controller controls the electrical power according to a predicted function or scheduled service in the telematic appliance.

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- 12. Vehicle power and telematic control method comprising steps of: coupling an electronic controller to a fuel cell module and a telematic appliance; and controlling adaptively by the electronic controller the fuel cell module electrical
- 5 power to generate electrical power for the telematic appliance.

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